

Application No. 10/032,336

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**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

A complete listing of all claims in the application are provided below. After each claim number, the status of each claim is indicated in a parenthetical expression. The text of each claim under examination (with markings to show current changes) is also presented.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A window treatment [which is] sized to fit substantially over a window opening, said window treatment [having] comprising:

[one or more rows of] a <sup>6, a, b</sup> first [loop] fastening means which [are] is affixed to said window treatment wherein said first [loop] means is configured to raise vertically a region of said window treatment [to be raised vertically]:

[affixed by] a <sup>5 a-e</sup> [first] [button] second fastening means positioned along an upper portion of the window treatment, the second means [being] adapted to be removably secured to said first [loop] means such that the region of said window treatment is removably secured in a raised position when the first means and second means are engaged [said window treatment], the engagement of the first fastening means and second fastening means is the full means by which the window treatment is raised while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

2. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 1 wherein said first fastening means comprises [which has] at least three rows of loops [first means], any row of loops may be the said second fastening means to be affixed to said first fastening means.

3. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 1 [which has] further comprising:

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a suspending means configured to suspend said window treatment in front of said window opening; and

wherein the second fastening means is at least one row of buttons, [one row of buttons] each row arranged horizontally at a location which is within 0-12 inches of a top edge of [the] said suspending means [which are used to suspend the window treatment in front of the window].

4. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 3 [which has tab top suspending means] further comprising a tab means for suspending said window treatment, said means comprising a tab top.

5. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim [1] 2 wherein said row of loops [means] [are] is arranged to provide a window treatment which has, in [the] a closed position, exposed edges of covered sections which are of substantially equal size.

6. (Currently amended) A window treatment [which is] sized to fit over a window opening, said window treatment [having] comprising:

one or more rows of button means which are affixed to said window treatment and which allow a lower portion of said window treatment to be raised vertically and affixed [by loop means] to a surface of said window treatment; and

one or more rows of loop means which are affixed to said window treatment and which when raised and affixed to said button means, raise a lower portion of said window treatment relative to an upper portion of said window treatment and maintain said lower portion in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

Please add the following claim:

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7. (New) The window treatment of claim 1, wherein the first fastening means comprises a button means or loop means.

8. (New) The window treatment of claim 1, wherein the second fastening means comprises a button means or loop means.

9. (New) The window treatment of claim 1, wherein the second fastening means comprises a post, button, knob, curved hook or velcro.

10. (New) The window treatment of claim 1, wherein the first fastening means comprises a metal ring, snap, button hole or velcro.

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**AMENDMENT TO THE ABSTRACT**

Please delete the abstract and replace it with the following:

A window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening is disclosed. The window treatment comprises one or more fastening means which enables at least a portion of the window treatment to be raised vertically and removably secured to a predetermined position on the window treatment. The one or more fastening means is the full means by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position.